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BEFORE THE ARIZONA CORPORATION

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF GRAHAM COUNTY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC. TO AMEND ITS CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY AND TO TRANSFER CERTAIN OF ITS ASSETS TO THE CITY OF SAFFORD.

DOCKET NO. E-01749A-09-0185

STAFF'S REQUEST FOR EXPEDITED PROCEDURAL CONFERENCE

Staff of the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") hereby requests an expedited procedural conference to discuss a procedural schedule for this case. On October 1, 2015, Graham County Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("Graham County" or "the Company") filed an Application to Delete the Safford Service Area and Transfer Related Assets.

In 2010, in Decision No. 71471, the Commission approved a partial CC&N modification and asset transfer. Graham County was required to file another application by January 15, 2015 to complete the deletion of the Safford Service area and the transfer of related assets to the City of Safford. While the Company timely filed on January 14, 2015, because it was filed as a compliance item and not an application; it did not trigger further processing by Staff as a new request requiring Commission approval.

The agreement between Graham County and Safford contemplates a final transfer date of December 31, 2015 which has been extended to January 4, 2016. Staff and the Company have agreed to a proposed procedural schedule which is attached as Exhibit A which would provide for

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expedited handling of this Application. Both Staff and the Company request that the Hearing Division schedule an expedited procedural conference to discuss further processing of this case on 2 3 an expedited basis. RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 14th day of October 2015. 4 5 Queen A. Slot 6 Maureen A. Scott, Senior Staff Counsel 7 Legal Division Arizona Corporation Commission 1200 West Washington Street 8 Phoenix, Arizona 85007 9 (602) 542-3402 10 11 Original and thirteen (13) copies of the foregoing filed this 12 14th day of October 2015 with: 13 Docket Control Arizona Corporation Commission 14 1200 West Washington Street Phoenix, Arizona 85007 15 Copy of the foregoing emailed/mailed this 14th day of October 2015 to: 16 17 Jennifer A. Cranston Gallagher & Kennedy, PA 18 2575 East Camelback Road, 11th Floor Phoenix, Arizona 85016-9225 19 jennifer.cranston@gknet.com 20 Jeffrey Zimmerman Moyes Sellers & Hendricks LTD. 21 1850 North Central Avenue, Suite 1100 Phoenix, Arizona 85004 22 izimmerman@law-msh.com 23 Laupe Chustino 24 26

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1	EXHIBIT "A"	
2	PROPOSED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE	
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4	granam County 5 Fe-med resumony	October, 20, 2015
5	in Support of Application	
6	Staff Report or Testimony and	November 6, 2015
7	Intervenor Testimony	
8	Graham County Reply Testimony (if necessary)	November 11, 2015
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10	Pre-Hearing Conference	November 13, 2015
11	Hearing	November 17, 2015
12	Brief (if necessary)	November 23, 2015
13	Open Meeting	December, 2015
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